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Docket No.: NE-1017-US/KM



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

Hiroiyuki SAITO

Serial No.: 09/616,672

Group Art Unit: 2666

Filed: July 14, 2000

Examiner: Duong, Frank

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DESIGNING COMMUNICATION PATHS OF  
TREE STRUCTURE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 16 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 18 of this paper.